

MEMO

TO: SAC, WFO (9A-5687)(P)(C-4)

DATE: 11/9/87

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN-VICTIM;
EXTORTION;
OO:WFO

For the information of the SAC, on 11/9/87, the USCP reported an anonymous threatening telephone call, placed on the office answering machine of Senator LLOYD BENTSEN, 703 Hart Senate Office Building, 2nd and Constitution Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C., telephone number (202) 224-5922, on the weekend of 11/6-9/87, wherein a white male in his early 50's, stated:

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"Senator BENTSEN. Somebody will kill you. You ought to be killed for giving away things free."

Criminal ASAC JOHN KELSO approved an installation of hard-wire consensual monitoring device and utilization of trap-and-trace procedure; AUSA [REDACTED] approved same.

Appropriate waivers has been signed and TSS is requested to contact C&P Telephone Company for trap-and-trace and install monitoring device.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE
(9A-5687) (C-4) (P)

DATE 11/20/87

FROM: SSA [REDACTED] (TSS)

SUBJECT: UNSUB(S);
SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN - VICTIM;
EXTORTION;
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Re memo from SA [REDACTED] to SAC, WFO,
dated 11/9/87.

On 11/10/87, C&P TELEPHONE COMPANY of WDC installed a trap and trace on 202-224-5922 and cassette recorders were installed on the telephone in the office of Senator BENTSEN. The trap and trace was removed 11/17/87 and the recorders will be removed 12/10/87 unless otherwise advised to the contrary by case agent.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

DATE: 12/14/87

FROM: SA

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;
SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN - VICTIM;
EXTORTION;
OO:WFO

Reference memo of same caption, dated 11/9/87.

On 12/10/87, writer removed two cassette audio recorders from the two receptionist telephones at Senator BENTSEN's office, Room 703, Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

There are two receptionists, either of whom can answer incoming calls on telephone number (202) 224-5922.

No calls of a suspicious nature were recorded during the 30 day period of consensual monitoring.

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Washington Field Office
Washington, D.C. 20535

January 30, 1988

United States Attorney
Washington, D.C. 20001

Attention: AUSA [REDACTED]

Re: SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN

Dear Sir:

This letter will serve to confirm the November 9, 1987 telephonic conversation between AUSA [REDACTED] of your office and Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] Washington Field Office (WFO), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), when the following matter was discussed.

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On November 9, 1987, the United States Capitol Police (USCP) advised that, for the past week, Senator Lloyd Bentsen, 703 Hart Senate Office Building, 2nd & Constitution Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C., telephone number (202) 224-5922, had been receiving a series of anonymous and rambling telephone calls, from a caucasian male, sounding as if he were in his early 50's. On the weekend of November 6, 1987, the same caller left a message on the answering machine which stated:

"Senator Bentsen. Somebody will kill you. You ought to be killed for giving away things free."

On November 9, 1987, based on the above information, AUSA [REDACTED] concurred that a consensual monitoring device, and trap-and-trace procedure, would be a logical and judicious investigative step, at that time.

Very truly yours,

W.D.G.
W. Douglas Gow
Special Agent in Charge

By: [REDACTED]
Supervisory Special Agent 9A-5687-Sub X

2-Addressee
1-WFO (9A-5687, Sub X)

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